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Hon. Commissioner of Patents & Trademarks
Washington, D. C. 20231

RE: new U. S. utility patent application filed Jun. 20, 2001
based on provisional application 60/213,836 filed June 23, 2000
of ALGIRDAS AVIZIENIS
for "SELF-TESTING AND -REPAIRING FAULT-TOLERANCE INFRASTRUCTURE
FOR COMPUTER SYSTEMS"
our docket xAAA-02

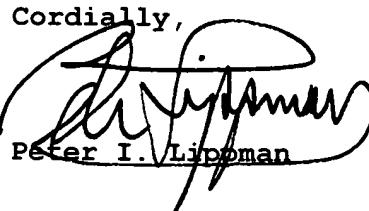
Dear Sir:

Enclosed for filing please find the new application identified
above, with an unexecuted declaration and power of attorney.
Applicant qualifies as a small entity.

Please do not charge our deposit account for the filing fees at this
time. We plan to file an executed declaration and power of attorney
along with the filing fees within the time permitted.

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und accrues, anytime during prosecution of this case, you are hereby
authorized to proceed, without specific authorization, to charge
such fee or credit such refund to our deposit account 12-1639.

Cordially,


Peter I. Lippman

Encl.: - 98 typed pages of specification;
- 10 sheets of drawings;
- unexecuted declaration and power of attorney; and
- an acknowledgment card for stamping and return.

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